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## NATIONAL OFFICERS TO TOUR CHAPTERS

### SOUTH BEND, MISHAWAKA FOUND UNIT

### CHAPTER ELECTS EDMUND A. WILLS FIRST PRESIDENT

The St. Joe Valley Chapter of the St. Joseph's College Alumni Association was established Friday night, September 27, in the Knights of Columbus Home, Mishawaka.

Edmund A. Wills, '97-'03, South Bend attorney, was elected charter president. Paul F. Schumacher, '20-'21, Mishawaka contractor, was elected vice-president; Bernard L. Hoerstman, '98-'00 and '03-'04, of Mishawaka, secretary, and F. G. Coffield, '07-'09, president of the Bankers Discount Corporation, treasurer.

Guests were the Very Rev. (Continued on Page Four; Col. One)

### Rensselaer Makes Preparations For Homecoming Celebration

A carnival spirit will pervade Rensselaer, Saturday night, October 12, when Alumni, their wives, and friends gather from all over the midwest for the Golden Jubilee Homecoming game and dance.

The Makeever Hotel is being turned over to St. Joseph's for the occasion. Every alumnus who intends to be present is advised to write, phone, or wire the Alumni Office immediately for hotel reservations.

The game between the University of Louisville Cardinals and the St. Joe College Pumas will start at 7 p. m. on the Rensselaer High School field, on the west side of town.

U. of L.-St. Joe contests have always been nip and tuck affairs. This year should be no exception. Last year sports writers said that the Cardinals had the best team in the history of the school. This year they claim the Kentuckians are still better.

Louisville Alumni are planning

a tour to Rensselaer. They want to see what the two Louisville boys in the St. Joe starting lineup will do to the hometown aggregation. Eyes of the Kentucky guests will be on Bill Smith, former guard, on Manual High's National Championship team, and Dick Cody, center, who used to be the sparkplug in St. Xavier High's forward wall.

Chicagoans will come to see the thirteen boys from the Windy City in action. Indianapolis Alumni will be most interested in Nick Scollard and Ronald Golay, a sensational passing combination.

Tickets to the game will be \$1.10. Dance bids will be \$1.50 a couple. Hotel accommodations (Continued on Page Four; Col. Two)

### ALL UNITS WILL MEET THIS MONTH

### SPEAKERS TO EXPLAIN FIELDHOUSE FUND AT GATHERINGS

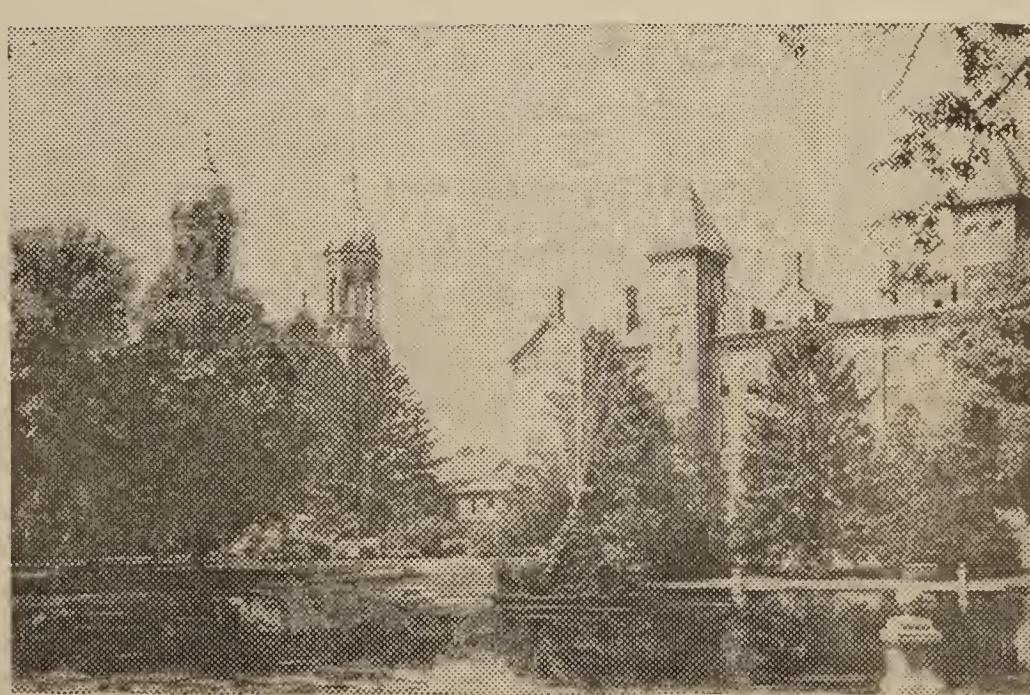
VALPARAISO, IND.—National officers of the Alumni Association and other prominent St. Joe grads will make a tour of each of the fifteen Alumni Chapters during the month of October, it was decided at a meeting of the national officers here, after the St. Joe-Valparaiso University game.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Kenkel, C.P.P.S., '07-'13, second vice-president; J. Gordon Hagstrom, '19-'24 and Jerre Haugh, '18-'19, executive committeemen, and Edward Fischer, '28-'34, met with the Very Rev. Dr. Aloys Dirksen, (Continued on Page Four; Col. Three)

### ST. JOE, LIKE MIGHTY OAK, HAD ACORN BEGINNING HALF CENTURY AGO



As the Golden Jubilee year gets under way, CONTACT thinks it appropriate to run pictures of St. Joe as it was fifty years ago and as it is today. At the left, is the south end of the present Administration Building, the cradle of Collegeville. At the right, is only a glimpse of the beauti-



ful sixty-acre campus. There are now a dozen or more buildings scattered in such a way that it is not possible to get them all on one picture. The college has had a sensational growth. And every day the momentum from its rush forward is becoming greater and greater.

## CONTACT

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## Editors

Edward W. Fischer — Sylvester H. Ley, C.P.P.S.

## Here's Our Chance

The alumni's Golden Jubilee Drive for the Fieldhouse Fund is officially on.

This is the first time in the history of the college that the former students have had a great objective at which to shoot. In past years when the alumni have asked the college for an assignment they were told to furnish the auditorium, erect a flagpole, or buy an electric scoreboard. And the alumni always came through in double quick time.

Those smaller assignments were all right in years gone by. We were younger then, and there weren't so many of us. But now we have definitely reached maturity. Our organization is almost a half century old. We would feel under-rated, if the college didn't expect a fair size job out of us.

We have been given a man-size assignment—but not an impossible one. We have been asked to raise funds to finance the building of a \$75,000 fieldhouse.

The structure is worth every cent of the money. Everyone who sees it marvels at its size and the durability of its construction. It's something for us to feel proud of.

When given an assignment in the past we always came through. There's no reason why we won't do the same during the Golden Jubilee year.

## Did You Notice The Photo?

Did you notice the picture at the right hand side of page one? It's the picture you'll find on the back of your Alumni Association membership card.

There's only one way in the world to get such a card. How's that? Why just send a dollar to Edward Fischer, St. Joseph's College, Collegeville, Indiana. Tell him it's to cover your alumni dues for the Golden Jubilee scholastic year, '40-'41.

This is the first year the association has had membership cards. The picture on the back of them will change from year to year. Be sure to get this first one and start a collection.

AFTER HOMECOMING, there will be three more games left on the schedule: October 19, Evansville College, at Rensselaer; October 26, Central Normal, at Danville, Ind., and November 10, St. Norbert's College, at West DePere, Wisconsin.

## Stuff Comes Through

You alumni who subscribed to *Stuff*, student newspaper, will more than ever be getting your money's worth this year. You were told that for a dollar you would receive seventeen issues. You will receive twice that number. The paper is now a weekly.

We were glad to see *Stuff* go tabloid. Perhaps you dislike the sound of the word tabloid. Many people do. They think that a tabloid must drip with scandal and obscene pictures. That's not at all true. A tabloid is a five-column, easy-to-read newspaper that puts quite a bit of emphasis on pictures.

Unfortunately, most of our better newspapers are very unattractive. They are made up of long, cold, grey columns of type. And they are so written that you have to be a gentleman of leisure to read them. There is a definite place in this world for a paper that can be scanned in a hurry.

And as for pictures, many persons think that anybody who likes to look at photos has something missing inside his cranium. But pictures in themselves are good. It's the abuse of them that is wrong. Pictures brighten a newspaper. They help give the reader a better understanding of the day's news. The old Chinese philosopher who said that "a picture equals a thousand words," just about hit the nail on the head.

And so we are glad that *Stuff* is doing its part to lift the tabloid out of the shadows, and give it its rightful place in the sun.

## Young Sets Pace

One of the youngest alumni, Francis Young, of the class of '40, set an example during the past week that every alumnus might follow.

He noticed that a certain midwestern paper failed to list St. Joseph's in a roundup schedule of games to be played the following week-end. The recent grad wrote a very diplomatic letter to the sports editor telling him that quite a few people are interested in the Pumas. The sports editor did not resent that letter. He'll see to it that St. Joe is in the lineup from now on.

You can help keep St. Joe's publicity campaign growing by doing the same thing. Phone or write your editor. He'll listen to you. You are a subscriber. He is out to give you what you want. That means bread and butter to him.

And above all, when your chapter is getting ready for a meeting, phone the city editor of your local paper. Tell him when, where, and why the meeting is to be held. Tell him who the speakers are to be and any other details he might wish to know. After the meeting, phone him right away. Don't delay a day or two. Your meeting is no longer news then. Tell him what was decided at the gathering. And above all, when you elect officers be sure to let your city editor know who they are. He'll appreciate your thoughtfulness.

We're all sold on St. Joe, aren't we? We know it's a great institution. LET'S LET EVERYBODY KNOW IT.

Robert A. Noe, '14-'18, is an insurance man in Terre Haute, Ind.

## THE ROUNDUP

by

Coach Joe Dienhart



WE'RE BATTING FIVE HUNDRED per cent at this writing. We lost our opener at Butler 26 to 7; we came out on top the following week at Valparaiso 14-0.

THERE'LL BE FIREWORKS when we meet Xavier, Sunday afternoon, at Cincinnati. By the time you read this, you'll probably know the score of that game. If we knew it now, maybe we wouldn't even leave Rensselaer.

YOU'LL SEE A GOOD GAME, if you come back for Homecoming, Saturday, October 6. Rumors are going around that the University of Louisville this year. We hope to make it an interesting ball game.

SEVERAL OF OUR MEN have been giving the crowds a few thrills this year. Big Nick Scollard, of Indianapolis, who made All Conference tackle as a freshman last year, has been taking his new end assignment just as seriously. He pulled in two successive long passes against Butler that advanced the Ball from the Puma 29 to the Bulldog two yard line. Ronald Golay, also of Indianapolis, has made several sensational runs. Dick Cody, center from Louisville, has been in on his share of the plays. Ed Schmidt, Rensselaer backfield man, is worth watching.

THIRTY MIGHTY HUSKY FRESHMEN reported for practice, October 2. You'll hear quite a bit about some of those boys during the next three seasons. There's a conference rule which says that freshman football teams are only allowed to play two games. Our games will be: Saturday afternoon, October 12, Culver Military Academy Varsity, at Culver; Friday, November 1, Valparaiso Freshmen, at Rensselaer.



Nick Scollard

BY THE WAY, if you are going to take off all day Saturday to come to the Homecoming celebration, why don't you come to Culver, give the freshmen team the once over, and then proceed on to college for the main attraction. The U. of L.-St. Joe game will start at 7 p. m. That's a little early, but we have to get the game out of the way so that the dance won't get started too late.

WATCH THIS COLUMN for the basketball schedule next month. It's going to be a tough one, a mighty tough one.

## President Covers Unit Circuit

The Very Rev. Dr. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., president of the college, and three national officers, J. Henry Hipskind, president of the association; the Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Kenkel, vice-president, and Jerre Haugh and J. Gordon Hagstrom, executive committeemen, had a busy week from Friday night, September 20 till Saturday night, September 28. They visited the fifteen Alumni Chapters, talked with the officers, and outlined the Fieldhouse Fund Drive.

The principal object of their tour, however, was to arrange meetings of each chapter for the month of October. These meetings will be attended by national officers as outlined in the principal story of page one in this issue of CONTACT.

National officers held a meeting at St. Joe Sunday, September 15, and outlined the following tour which was made in eight days:

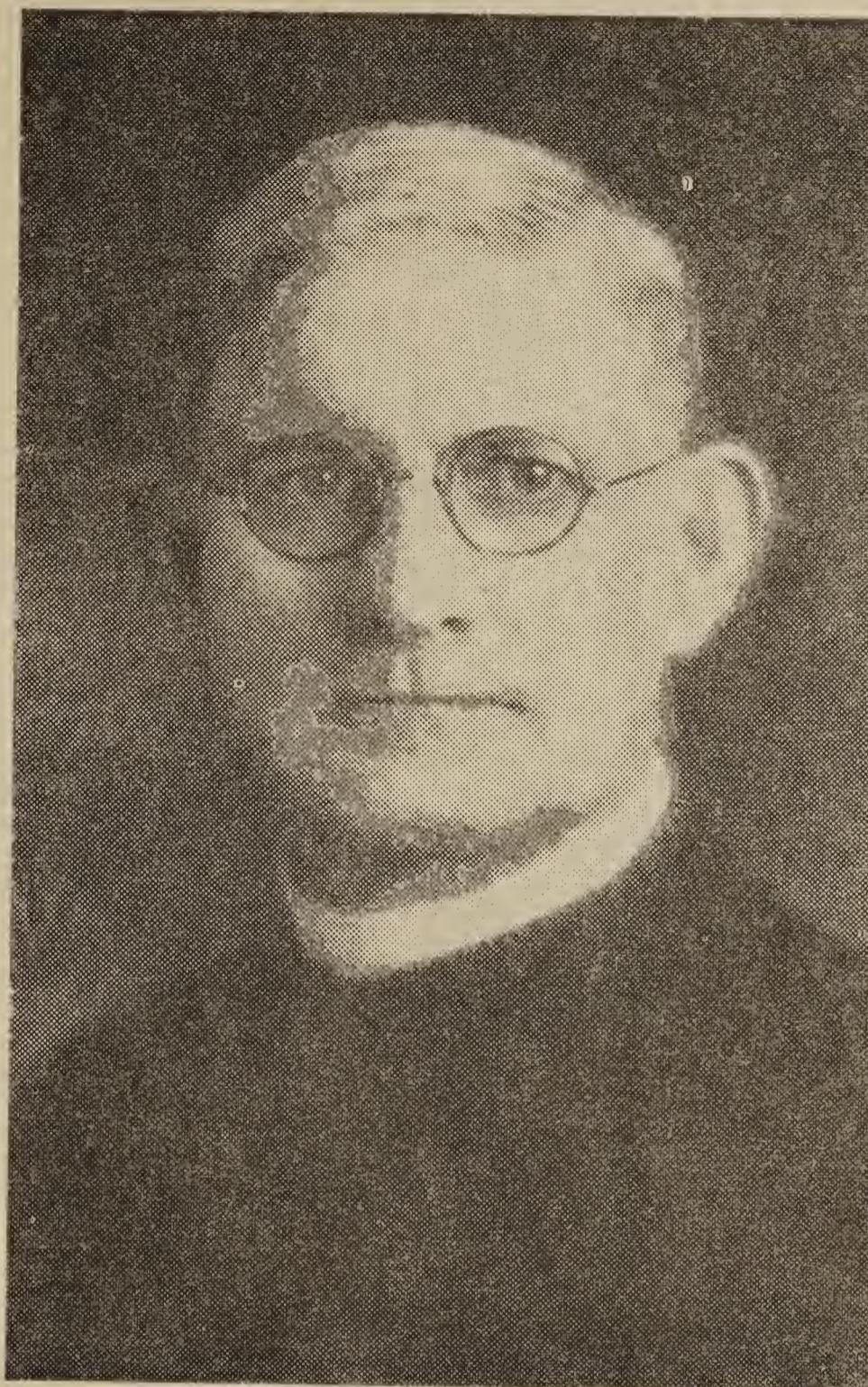
Friday night, September 20, Lafayette; Saturday noon, Indianapolis; Sunday noon, Louisville; Sunday night, joint meeting of Dayton and Cincinnati officers in Cincinnati; Monday night, joint meeting of Delphos, Midwestern Ohio, and Fort Wayne officers in Delphos; Tuesday night, joint meeting of Tiffin and Toledo officers in Toledo; Wednesday night, joint meeting of Akron and Cleveland officers in Cleveland.

On Friday night, the St. Joe Valley chapter was organized in Mishawaka. Details of this meeting will be found on page one.

The meeting of the Calumet and Cook County officers in Valparaiso, before the St. Joe-Valpo game, did not materialize. However, national officers held a meeting immediately after the game.

**MAKE  
RESERVATIONS  
for  
HOMECOMING  
Write, Phone  
Or Wire  
The Alumni Office**

## RATES AS NUMBER ONE ALUMNUS



### *Father John Cogan Rates As St. Joe College's Top Alumnus*

If the Alumni Association should have a balloting to name its Number One Alumnus, the Rev. John Cogan, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Hamilton, would come out head and shoulders above all other grads.

The grand old priest from southern Ohio is the personification of all St. Joe traditions. He might rightfully be ranked among the founders of the college.

John Cogan came to the campus the autumn that St. Joseph's opened its doors—that was fifty years ago. He was a few years older than the other students, and so was always respectfully referred to as "Mister Cogan." He was placed in charge of a study hall, and at times he helped out with teaching assignments.

His mature mind fitted him for student leadership. And that

leadership meant a great deal to the organization that was still in swaddling clothes.

It was mainly through Young Cogan's initiative that the Columbian Literary Society was founded in 1892. He was elected executive committeeman at the first meeting. He played leading roles in the first two plays presented by the organization. In St. Sebastian he was Maximian, Emperor of Rome; in Major John Andre he was General George Washington.

It was largely through Mr. Cogan's efforts that a postoffice was started in Collegeville. He handled most of the necessary

## HERE and THERE

Radiology is the specialty of Dr. Joseph M. Foley, Wheeling, W. Va.

The Houk Merchandise Shop, Logansport, Ind., is operated by Edward P. Houk, '13-'14.

Frank J. Pischke, '20-'23, is an engineer for the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Chicago.

An electrical appliance shop in Niles Center, Ill., is being operated by Edward A. Heinz, '16-'18.

Richard Aubry, '27-'29, is chief of the Flight Information Section, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Washington, D. C.

The Rev. Warren C. Abrahamson, '26-'31, is teaching English and biology at Pio Nono High School, St. Francis, Wis.

Edmund W. Hoelker, '17-'18, is branch manager of the Freeman & Oehler office, the Fifth Third Union Trust Co., Cincinnati.

For twelve years, Joseph A. Braun, '98-'03, has been vice-president of the Fayette Bank and Trust Co., Connersville, Ind. He has been in banking since 1912.

correspondence with government officials.

He was a key man in the founding of the Seifert Light Guards, campus military organization. He held the rank of Major.

On the program for St. Joseph's first commencement, June 16, 1896, John F. Cogan is listed as valedictorian. The eleven other members of the class were: James B. Fitzpatrick, Joseph Abel, Christian F. Daniel, Thomas M. Conroy, Nicholas H. Greiwe, James J. Betsner, J. R. Waechter, Bartholomew F. Besinger, John C. Wakefer, A. A. Wagner, and Jerome Ueber.

The day after graduation, the Alumni Association was founded with Young Cogan as a charter member. He was elected national president during the second year of the organization's existence.

In age, Father Cogan is probably the college's oldest alumnus. In the matter of work well done, no graduate has ever been able to surpass him.

If he doesn't deserve the title of Number One Alumnus, then who does?

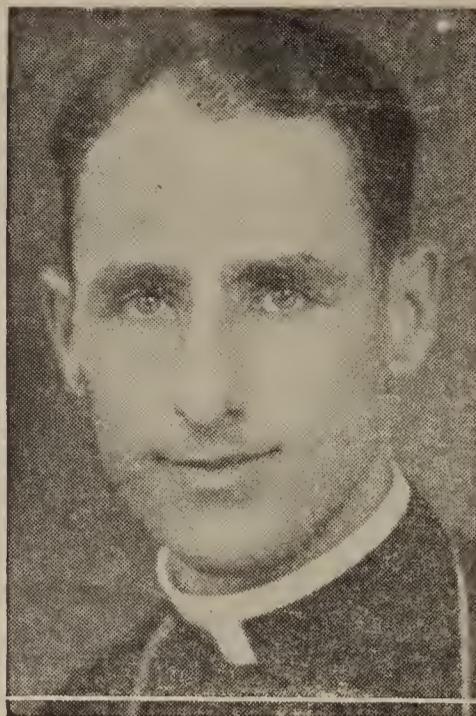
## ORDINATION SCATTERS ALUMNI LIKE FEATHERS IN A GALE



Rev. Michael Storm



Rev. Arnold Meiring



Rev. Anthony Migoni



(Courtesy Cincinnati Telegraph-Register)

Rev. John Hamme

Appointments after ordination scattered members of the class of '34 all over the country. These Precious Blood Fathers, ordained last spring at Carthagena, are stationed as follows: The Rev. Michael Storm, C.P.P.S., is an assistant at Sacred Heart Church, Roseville, Mich. The Rev. Arnold

### Jack Cashman Writes Letter To Editor

Jack Cashman, '29-'32, Marion, Ind., writes: "I was up in Whiting this summer and ran into Tim Doody and Red Quinn. Both are studying at St. Meinrad. Ben Bubala, who is married and has a daughter, is running his late father's grocery. I also saw Father Ignatius Vichuras, assistant pastor at St. Francis Church, East Chicago. It was swell to see those fellows again. It makes no difference where you go you usually run into 'St. Joe men."

Anita Agnes Pulver, of Three Rivers, Mich., became the bride of Paul Miller, '29-'32, Marion, Ind., August 10.

Joseph F. Sanislo, '26-'31, has been in the U. S. Army at Fort Hayes, Columbus, O., since last June. He is a clerk in Corps Area Headquarters.

### ST. JOE VALLEY ALUMNI START FIFTEENTH UNIT

(Continued From Page One) Dr. Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S., college president; J. Henry Hipskind, of Fort Wayne, president of the national association, and J. Gordon Hagstrom, of Chicago, national executive committeeman.

The newly organized unit will hold a meeting Monday night, October 14.

### RENSSELAER PREPARES FOR HOMECOMING

(Continued From Page One) will be \$1.50 per person.

Some Alumni are making reservations for Friday night. They intend to go to Culver Military Academy Saturday afternoon with the St. Joe Freshmen. After that game, they will return to Rensselaer for the Homecoming tilt.

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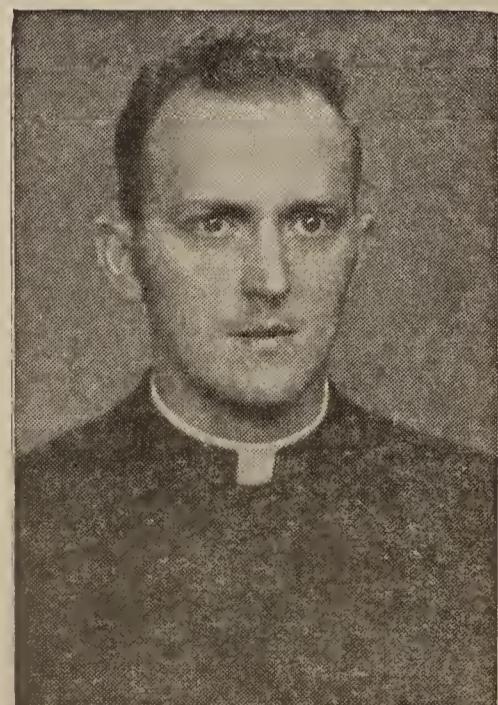
C.P.P.S., '14-'20, and compiled a list of speakers for the following meetings:

Friday, October 4, Dayton; Sunday, October 6, Cincinnati; Monday, October 7, Louisville; Wednesday, October 9, Indianapolis; Thursday, October 10, Lafayette; Monday, October 14,

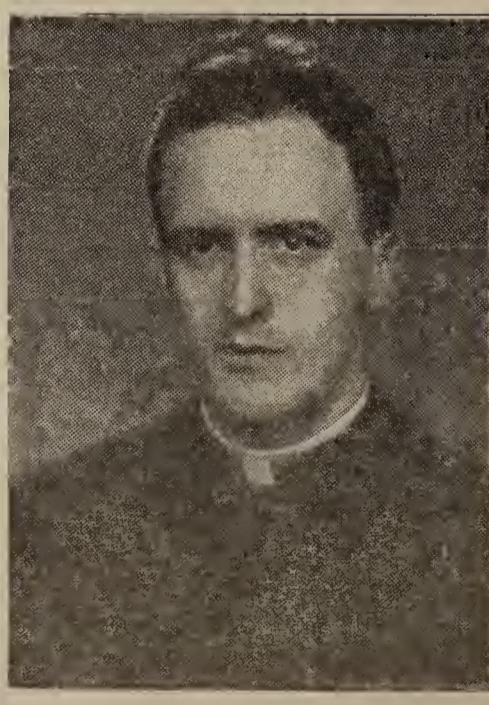
South Bend; Tuesday, October 15, Chicago; Wednesday, October 16, Delphos; Thursday, October 17, Midwestern Ohio; Monday, October 21, Akron; Tuesday, October 22, Cleveland; Wednesday, October 23, Toledo, and Thursday, October 24, Tiffin.

J. Henry Hipskind, '05-'11, national president, will be the principal speaker at the Dayton, Louisville, Delphos, Midwestern Ohio, Toledo, and Tiffin meetings. Alumnus Hagstrom will be guest

### BROTHERS ORDAINED SAME DAY



Rev. Julian Pank



(Courtesy Louisville Record)

Rev. William Pank

It's rare when two brothers, not twins, go through the seminary together, are ordained on the same day, and then read their First Masses on the same day. The Revs. Julian and William Pank, both of the class of '34, did that very thing last spring. Father Julian is assistant at St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Louisville; Father William is assistant at Holy Cross Church, Louisville.

### BULLETIN

Henry B. Froning, '99-'02 and '07-'08, will be principal speaker at Chicago. Edmund A. Wills, '97-'03, will talk before the Calumet unit at a date not yet named. Fort Wayne will meet Friday night, October 11.

speaker at the South Bend, Akron, Cleveland, and Fort Wayne meetings. The Rev. John Cogan, charter member and past president of the association, will speak at the Cincinnati gathering.

Father Dirksen, president of the college, and one or two national officers will be present at all the meetings.

Chapter presidents will notify members of the various units of the time and place of the meetings. Besides hearing a detailed description of the Fieldhouse Fund Drive from capable speakers, most of the meetings will have the added attraction of an election of officers.